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A MOST URGENT NEED. There is hardly anything in the world that Richmond needs more urgently than a modern driving code, an intelligent and carefully drawn ordinance which shall regulate exactly the movement of all wheeled traffic or the city streets. At present we have no such ordinance, and the result is disorder run mad. Probably no other well-ordered city in the country toler ates such confusion in the movement of traffic as Richmond has long put up The city code prescribes, indeed, that

a vehicle meeting another vehicle shall pass to the right, while on overtaking another shall pass to the left. But on other hardly less important points it is totally silent. Suppose a carriage is driving south down Ninth Street, for example, and wishes to turn east at Main Street. How shall the driver make the turn? Sunnose it wishes to turn west. How shall he make that turn? Suppose he drives west up Main Street and wishes to stop at a shop on the south side of the street. How shall he make that crossing? Nobody knows, Every driver others like them according to his own sweet will, and the result is continual narrow escape from collision. accidents are not much more frequent partly to sheer bull luck.

multiplication of the automobile has elsewhere. Baltimore some years ago found herself suffering from just the same forms of chaos. She pitched in them, and got benefits which were immediate and apparent to the most exactly the same thing. The Street Committee or a special committee helpful in other cities and digest them into a code exactly suited to Rich mond's needs. In so doing they would perform a service of great value to all thing incisive should be done to re lieve the present lawlessness, and w trust that the Council will feel, with us, that it were well it were done quickly.

PRESIDENT AND THE VIRGINIA NEWSPAPER MEN.

With the indorsement and approva nake a special address before The Times-Dispatch Correspondents' Asso- ology was obscure and doubtful ciation and the Virginia Press Association on the occasion of his visit to recognition of the special importance and influence of these two bodies. The gathering which the President will address will be confined exclusively to newspaper men and women. Relative ly, it will be a small assemblage. It is safe to say that no other gathering of equal size could command the Pres idenus undivided attention during a day so crowded that his time will be figured out to the last minute.

A gathering of newspaper men is like no other gathering in the world When Mr. Taft steps on the platforn to address this meeting, he will be speaking literally to the press of Virginia and, in a lesser measure, of Nort Carolina. He will be talking both to the men who interpret it and help to form the opinions of others as to what the news means. Over the heads of his visible audience his mind's eye may dimly discern the newspaper readers of a whole great State. What the President tells the correspondents and the and there over the country. It is areditors will, according to its strength and merit, surely filter through them and find its way in some form to the many circles of readers of which they are the several centres.

In making a separate speech to the newspaper men the President both recognizes their special importance and pays them a distinctive and unique compliment. We are confident that the newspaper men will show their appreciation to the President and to the local committee, by greeting the distinguished visitor with their full membership and giving him a most cordial reception.

David Q Eggleston was one of the best and most faithful public ser- ing news from the wife at home? vants that Virginia had. His office was comparatively a sheltered one; it it Mr. Eggleston was doing work of ought to be curtailed in every way Importance to the Commonwealth, and possible. But how to do it is another doing it systematically, efficiently and matter. The "poste restante" is a fer, of unimpeachable integrity, of a and travelers and must not be serious- ling heaped un

at once to his abilities and the high cation.

An unusual incident to this party bereavement is the further disarrangement of the Democratic ticket, already badly disarranged in this city by the failure of four candidates to report themselves to the clerk of the Corporation Court. This means that Rich mond Democrats will vote for five men next month whose names are not on the ticket, a very curious and awk ward happening. Pencils and rubber stamps, it now seems, will have to be stamps, it now seems, will have to be an editorial headline-but there's no relied on to fill up the deficiency. Of use discussing it. Of course, it's a course this means a great deal of trouble, and, in the two instances where there is opposition, not a little political risk, since misunder standing and forgetfulness is sure to cut down the vote considerably for have workers at every polling place in the city to impress upon each voter who these five unnamed candidates are, and show him exactly how to cast a legal vote for them, A "guide" party ticket, handed to each man at the booth, would be the best reminder

possible. In the case of the nominees for Sec retary of the Commonwealth, it will be necessary to do the same thing at every polling place in the State. The election takes place two weeks from to-day. To make the arrangements to meet this emergency in so short a time, with the evident complications and questions of legality involved, will be a heavy strain upon the party or ganization, and it remains to be seen how successfully it can be done,

AN ASSOCIATION WHICH HAS HELP ED MANKIND.

The important body which convene in Richmond to-day well represents settles these problems and a dozen the conserving spirit of the nation. It is composed of men whose life worl it is to strike discase at its roots, to misunderstanding and disorder and prevent the suffering and economic duce the mass of human ills. Because must be put down partly to the general of its high mission, as well as its solid carefulness of Richmond drivers and achievements, Richmond gives the American Public Health Association a The conditions of travel on our city most hearty welcome.

Important topics are before the cor vention for discussion at this time, and made them much worse. These are important conclusions may be expected. Since the association assemble remedied, as they have been remedied last year in Winnipeg, the Interna tional Congress on Tuberculosis has been held in Washington. The plans of work outlined by that congress and framed and adopted an intelligent set the conclusions reached in its confer ences will come up, in part at least, for review before the sanitarians assembled here. In addition, experts will consider topics which have a local and Southern aspect. The baffling question of oysters-matters that vitally the ordinances which have proved so affect Virginia-are to be discussed at some, length in the convention.

Thirty-one years ago Richmond had pleasant to reflect upon the great much extended, its work has been become far more vital. At that early meeting little was known of the real neering had not been fathomed, ty phoid fever was a sealed book. Diphof the local Program Committee, the theritic antitoxin and the other great President of the United States is to remedial agents of health work wer

It is no false compliment to say that much of the change wrought in these Richmond on November 10. In this thirty-one years has been the work happy arrangement there is deserved of this association. Its members,

growths of this spirit are seen in our State Department of Health and in the health departments of many Virginia cities. How well our State department is doing its vital work is emphasized again by Surgeon-General Wyman's the men who write the news and to fine tribute to Dr. Ennion G. Williams, printed elsewhere this morning

> THE GENERAL DELIVERY WINDOW Faint signs of widespread dissatisfaction with the post-office "genera delivery window" are popping up here gued that the general delivery is systematically used for correspondence of an illicit nature and largely patronized by criminals. There is cer tainly much truth in this indictment but just how much no human being can say. In Chicago the post-office in spector declares his belief that only 0 per cent, of the mail passing through the general window is open to sus picion. This estimate may be much too high or much too low; nobedy knows and nobody can find out. The envelope guards its secrets well, and the face of the stranger who presents himself at the window betrays little or nothing. Is he a bank robber expecting a heinous communication from a pal? Or is he a tired drummer seek.

Uncle Sam desires neither to pander nor become the silent partner of felony. Vicious and criminal correspondence He was a man of high charac- tremendous convenience to transient.

The state of the s

natural aptitude for affairs of State ly interfered with. In Chicago an and a very thorough grasp on the identification card is proposed, which politics of Virginia. It was a tribute would certainly prove a great annoyance to the class for whom the service personal esteem in which he was held that his recent Democratic primary was without opposition. This tribute is the more noteworthy in that Mr. Eggleston shared it with his brother, the ington. This is to limit the use of the class which the provided, and would hardly and would hardly and the provided, and would hardly and the provided hardly and the provided, and would hardly and the provided, and ton shared it with his brother, the ington. This is to limit the use of ington. This is to limit the use of the "window" by any one person to a period of thirty days. Few honest persons whose letters are entirely aboveboard would require to use this Because their ball team won, A wildly happier set of men. The sun neer abone upon. The other section in deep gloom Because their ball team lost, service for even as long as that.

> Surely there must be some way in which the worthy Itookashoo can cap-Italize all this glorious publicity.

Pittsburg is known to the world chiefly through H. Thaw, United States Steel and Mr. Hans Wagner.

"Are Married Women Slaves?" misprint.

Alfonso wants you all please to un-derstand that he is his own president.

Ain't it really Ferrerocious in Spain?

Selze one of these balmy days to take your little radiator to the plumber's and have its insides stethoscoped.

The new season has been on two weeks, and, so far as we know, not a halfback has been killed yet. Of course, a few may have been bent some.

If it weren't for one thing, Mr. Diaz, you would be head of the finest republic in North America.

Was Minister Crane fired as a rebuff to Armour, then? The horrid suspi-cion is stealing over us that Upton Sinclair is mixed up in this thing somehow.

Crime is said to cost the people of the United States \$600,000,000 a year, but no human seing can say how much honesty costs 'em.

Only think. But for the fact that he is a negro, Professor Matt Henson would have been the only white man who ever stood with Peary at the pole.

We have our opinion of the men who wear sky-blue fett hats, but the bus-iness manager won't let us print it,

A substitute for radium at one-half the price has been discovered, notes the Washington Heraid. We look to see the just-as-good drug-clerks make a bee-line for it.

Dr. Cook now has the freedom of New York. This is interesting to us as being the only free thing we have noticed about the doctor so far.

Advices collected for the substitute of the market.—St. Louis Globe-Dispatch.

WISDOM IN SMALL DOSES.

Advices collected from the meteoro logical stations of the universe assure us that the Richmond October is winning the world's championship serie in a walk.

TAFT'S BIG STICK.

Its Resounding Whacks Will Scatter Tariff Reformers.

When President Taft dropped his big stick with a resounding whack on the heads of the Republican insurgents in the Middle West he started a fierce row within his party, and it is evident that the rumpus will not end until all the tariff reformers are in one party and the reactionaries and tariff grafters are in the other. It is quite certain that the standpatters have been so encouraged by Mr. Taft's listen to any further propositions for terest of the consumer, and as they control the party machinery they may be depended upon to so operate it as to greatly extend the revolt in the West. There is not the least doubt

made large individual contributions to sanitary science, and the association, at its annual meeting, has formulated and vitalized the conclusions reached by its members.

The general activities of the association have had their distinct effect upon Virginia. Our sanitarians have caught the broader spirit of public and the paramount (sauce, the boundard, and the beauting the cotton stalks in a field as been made the paramount (sauce, the boundard, and the boundard, and the broader spirit of public and the public and the completion of a sufficient number of Republican the completion of a sufficient number of Republi that is opposed to the Republican organization on the tariff issue. Therefore, the blows of Mr. Taft's big stick are shaping a situation that is making for Democratic victories in 1910 and 1912.—Now Orleans States.

SOME FREAK LEGISLATION.

Failure of Oregon Hatpin Law a Care in Point, Failure of Oregon Hatpin Law a Care in Point.

The hatpin law of Oregon, which limits the length of hatpins to ten inches, is declared to be a failure. The law was passed by the Oregon Legislature last January, and up to date there have been no arrests under it. The papers have ridiculed it, the women have openly challenged policemen to arrest them for breaking the law, and local statesmen, it is said on good authority, are planning its repeal by the next Legislature.

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asininity... It was only last session
that an Illinois Solon solemniy introduced a bill to prohibit women from
wearing corsets. Other States have
also essayed to regulate woman's apparel. Wisconsin endeavored to elinalnate the corset from the feminine
wardrobe and Kansas tried to regulate the size and adornment of hats.
Then Oregon capped the climax of legsitative silliness by passing a law regulating the size of the pins with which
lovely woman clamps the millinery
"creation" to her head.

As a matter of fact, there are too
hany freak laws on the statute books.
When the law invades a tax-payer's
home and declares that the owner
thereof shall not smoke a cigarette in
the seclusion of his own den, or when
it asseris that a woman shall not wear
a hatpin over ten inches long, or when
it regulates the size of bed sheets in
a hotel, then the law is adventuring
outside of its province in the land of
the brave and the home of the free
whose slogan is life, liberty and the
pursuit of happiness.

It is propiless.

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It is provinced by the ridicule that is being heaped upon his head.—Rochester

Post Express.

Borrowed Jingles

If on the streets you see a man Smiles wreathed about his lips.
Tis safe to say he's in for good On lucky Pittsburg tips.
But if a man curt nods to you, Mouth in stern fashion set, It needs no special brains to know Detroit was his bet.

—Baltimore American.

MERELY JORING.

Works Both Ways.

She: "You love me like a novice." He: "Do I? Then we are both imperfec should know more and you shoulds now as much."-Boston Transcript.

Sure, Just a Few Years Hence "These 'ere flying machines and wireless telegrams-wonderful, ain't it. Mike?"
"Tis that. Ah, Tim, afore we're old men we shall be able to travel round the world without leavin' 'ome."—The Sketch.

he Calculating Ruscal. "When I know a friend is on the water wagon I don't urge him to have a drink."
"Neither do I; I invite him to a wine supper. Nothing like being lavish when they're not going to call you."—Pittsburg Post.

There Are Others Like Him. She: "Your brother is a writer, isn't

he "Yes."

He: "Yes."
She: "What does he write for?"
He: "Goodness only knows! I guess it's a disease."—Judge.

"Ever try the keep as-milling proposi-tion?"
"Tried it once, but with poor success.
Unfortunately, I started (a experiment on a day that the boss felt grouchy."-Louis-ville Courier-Journal.

Frank, If Nothing Else. Mistress: "h don't want you to have nuch company. You have more callers

a day than I have in a week.

Domestic: "Well, mum, perhaps, if you'd
try to be a little more agreeable you d
have as many friends as I have."—Puck. WISDOM IN SMALL DOSES.

The New York American says Mr. Hearst is the ideal candidate. Which shows that Mr. Hearst's papers continue to absorb from his interesting personality a vast and impressive quantity of his shrinking modesty.—Houston Post.

-Houston Post.

According to Barrie's testimony, he offered to give his wife a fair chance, but she
Wanted him to give her the other man.—
lloux City Tribune.

We would like to see Peary's fingers. The chances are that in his effort to nail Cook he has mashed one of them.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

ONCOMING BOLL WEEVIL.

Infested Zone Spreading Across the The area infested by the boll weevil is constantly extending. First discovered in a few places in Texas, this pest has spread until it has now covered practically the entire cotton-growing section of that State, and of Louishan as well

the revision of the tariff in the in-terest of the consumer, and as they

that should be adopted by our rarmers.

It would cost little in time or labor to cut down, rake up, and burn cotton stalks early in the winter. Such a course would benefit the succeeding crop as much as it would cost, without considering the boil weevil. And with more diversified farming and more winter cover crops, it is probable that this section will never suffer from the this section will never suffer from the ravages of this cotton pest.—Augusta

TAFT ON OKLAHOMA.

President's Tart Criticism Draws Forth Sharp Rejoinder.

Mr. Taft's criticism, in a snearing tone, of the people and government of Oktahoma (one and the same) will not help his reputation for statesmanship. How broad is his vision? New Zeal-and, under British rule, is more radical than Oktahoma. Switzerland is, And Oregon, in our own country is as far advanced as Oktahoma, or noarly so. A conservative in statesmanship ought to be a conservative in speech, but when a conservative in statesmanship is radical in speech, in criticism of radicalism in statesmanship, he arouses the suspicion that at heart he is a reactionary in the essentials. The Oktahoma spirit is bigger than Mr. Taft. Mr. Taft should pursue his proper role and the role for which, in fact, he was elected by a large vote; and that role, we think, is that of a rester merely, to give the country pause and rest after what slight march of grogress it has made, so that it may strengthen itself for a still further march forward. Mr. Taft, it appears, is a rester to allow the country to digest what progress it has made.

The Oktahoma Constitution may be too rigid and broad, but it has the proper spirit, which should be emphatically indorsed by a twenticth century statesman.—Memphis News-Scimitar.



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BROKE HIS VOWS

Accepted Peerage, Gave Up Celibacy and Founded Present Family.

NOBLE ORDER OF ST. JOHN

Knights Are Required to Prove Eight Generations of Noble Ancestors.

BY LA MARQUISE DE FONTENOY.

HAT Great Britain continues, as in olden days, to send the younger sons of her best and oldest families across lite seas to win development and wolfare of her vast colonial empire, is shown by the long list of sons of peers who have lost the families of sons of peers who have lost the families while serving their country in Africa. To a roster which includes the names of the Earls Southesk and Carlisie, Lord Kensington, the Marquis of Dufferin and the Earl of Beauchamp, must now be added that of Lord Torphichen, whose eldest son, the Master of Torphichen, has just succumbed, in his twenty-fifth year, to fever, while acting as Assistant Commissioner of Nyassaland.

Lord Torphichen's peerage is the only one that I can recall which owes its existence to the Knights of St. John, Sir James Sandilands was at the time of the Reformation, Master of the Scottish League or branch of the Order of the Knights of St. John, and also as Knights of Malta, and as such had enjoyed a place in Parliament, not only among the prelates, but among the prelates, but among the great barons, ig right of the lay barony of Torphichen, which was comprised in the property of the order. Sir James was led by his father's close intimacy with John Knox, the reformer, to become a convert to the doctrines of the Reformed Church, and, resigning his ecclesiastical office and, possessions to the crown in 15c4, received immediately thereon, from Mary Queen of Scots, a grant, confirming to him, his heirs and assigns, the lands and the baronies belonging to the order in Scotland. He therefore continued to bear, no longer as preceptor of the Order of St. John, but in his own right the title of Lord St. John of Torphichen (which was compelled to sive on joining the order, he married Janet Murray, of Polimaise, but, dying without issue, his title of Lord St. John of

control the party machinery they may be depended upon to so operate it as to greatly extend the revolt in the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the insects have come across, and they are way the lineset have come across, and they are going to stand immovably for a prohibitive tariff and will force the party organization to siand for it also.

"It is altogether probable," remarks the St. Louis Republic, "that in the fight which the President has precipitated the Western Republicans will stand by the Senators and Representatives who did their bidding in the struggle for a better tariff revision those of them that hold their places in Congress will be as powerless for reform as they were during the special session. High protection being still the declared policy of the Republican party, they can never get the expenses to the sparts to the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the linesets have come across, and they are the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the linesets have come across, and they are to be easy at the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the linesets have come across, and they are to be easy and they are the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the linesets have come across, and they are the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the linesets have come across, and they are the Mississippi River, but this has not been done. In some way the linesets have come across, and they are the way the linesets have and the move prepared of the time can be calculated when they will be an explaint the service of the Empress of Empress

more so than those who belonged to her immediate entourage.
Countess Sztaray gives the same picture of alternate lightness of heart and of intense melaneholy of the Empress, arising from many cruel disappointments and sorrows. None wrecked her happiness, however, more completely than the loss of her only son. Indeed, Countess Sztaray relates that after his death the Empress never allowed any wishes of happiness to be offered to her on her birthday, declaring that such wishes could only sound to her as mockery. Her birthday fell on Christmas Eve, which after her boy's death she was went to spend in complete solitude and retirement.

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Daily Queries and Answers

In this column the Query Editor will answer daily the questions of Times-Dispatch readers. Each query should be signed with the real name and address of the sender, but may be accompanied by a licitious name for publication. The editor will not attempt to asswer queries of a mattennatical nature, and he will not estimate the value of old coins, stamps, etc. The names of manufacturers of proprietary articles, etc., cannot be given in this column, Questions of practical value and general interest will always receive first attention. All communications for the editor should be Driefly worded, and should be addressed to Query Editor, Times-Dispatch, Richmond.

When Cattle Eat Plank.
Why is it that eattle eat plank, old boards, sticks, etc.? W. H. LEWIS.
Appointation, Va.
If the cattle appear sick, write the State Veterinary Surgeon, Burkevlie, Va. He will send you dierature on the subject. Meanwhile, give your cattle plenty to eat.

The Pausum Capal.

Scotch Whiskey.

What is the distinguishing characteristic of Scotch whiskey?

O. B.

Whiskey made in Scotland solely from barley malt in the drying of which peat has been used.

which peat has been used.

Best Sellers.

What were the best selling novels printed in America in 1908?

"The Shuttle," by Francis Hodgson Burnett; "The Weavers," by Sir Gilbert Parker, "The Lady of the Decoration," by Frances Little, "The Barrier," by Rex E. Beach, and "Mr. Crewe's Career," by Winston Churchill.

Dead Literary Men.
Who were the most prominent literary men who died during the last year?
PETERSBURG.
Joel Chandler Harris, Donald G. Mitchell, Charles Elliot Norton and Edmund Clarence Stedman.

President Lowell.

When was President Lowell born is he any kin to James Russell Lowell HARVARD.

Abbot Lawrence Lowell was born in Boston, December 13, 1856. He is a nephew of James R. Lowell.

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Chinese Education.

Please tell me something of the new Chinese University established at Pekin.

In 1998 the government decided to establish at Pekin a university consisting of eight colleges, in which foreign languages, Chinese literature, science, commercial law, medicine, agriculture and engineering were to be taught. One million four hundred thousand dollars was appropriated for the initial expenses and large tracts of land were bought by the government for building this university. It will soon be opened.

Quebec Tercentenery.

STATE PRESS

Wants the Game Law to Remain.

King Corn in Charlotte.

Wants the Game Law to Remain.

Commission merchants in Richmond, it is said, are endeavoring to secure the repeal or amendment of the present game law so as to permit the sale of partridges and pheasants. They have sent out a circular letter to "country land owners" calling attention to the fact that if the land owners desire a change in the law they should secure piedges from the candidates for the Legislature at once. It is to be hoped that legislature at once. It is to be hoped that legislature at once. It is to be hoped that the signature candidates will pay no attention to such circulars. The game laws of the State are too lax at present, and if even these are not more strictly enforced it will not be long before game will be extinct in Virginia.—Alexandria Gazette.

vessel, played a large part in the pic-turesque ceremonies.

Georgia Prohibition.

When did the Georgia prohibition law go into effect? LOCAL OPTION.

January 1, 1998.

The Pausina Canal,
How much work had been done at Panama when the American authorities took hold?

The French had excavated \$1,548,000 cubic yards of earth.

Scotch Whiskey.

Sennor Reot.

Whon was Senator Root born? Is lie a graduate of Yale?

M.
Elihu Root was born in Clinton, N.
February 15, 1845. He is a graduate of Hamilton College, class of 1844, and of the New York University Law School, class of 1887. He never went to Yale.

Diplomatic Service.

Does United States send an ambassador to China? Who was Mr. Crane to succeed in China? DiPLOMAT.

The United States exchanges ministers plenipotentiary, and not ambassadors, with China. W. W. Rockhill was the last accredited minister to China.

Census Service.

To whom should I apply for the position as an enumerator for the Richmond District in taking the census.

D. H.

Address C. Ridgway Moore, Rich-

King of Portugal.

Who is the King of Portugal, and when did he come to the throne? Manuel II. ascended the throng February 1, 1908.

What Every Woman Knows," with Maude Adams in the leading role.

Most Successful Comedy.

Crucity to Animals.

When was the American Society for the Prevention of Crucity to Animals established?

B. K. 1866.

Dartmouth College.

I see Dartmouth College recently inaugurated a new president. How oil is this college, and whom did the present executive succeed? R. P. Dartmouth College was founded in 1769. The last President was William J. Tucker.

Darwin Centenary.

The newspapers say that the Darwin centenary was held this spring in England. Was there not a celebration of a similar character last year?

EVOLUTION.

Quebce Tercentenary,
When was the Quebce Tercentenary
held? Did not a duplicate of the ship
in which Champiain landed at Quebc
participate in the ceremonies?
This celebration began on July 19.
1995, and lasted a week. The Don de
Dieu, a copy of Champiain's original

of the audience accorded by the Em-peror to the countess on her return every bank official and employe to de-from Geneva, when she was called upon to relate to him every incident, word and circumstance of the last of the audience accorded by the Emperor to the countess on her return from Geneva, when she was called upon to relate to him every incident, word and circumstance of the last days of his consort, and when she handed him that familiar little sliver watch and charms which the Empress always carried, and the medal of the Virgin which she wore next to her heart; also the orchids which had rested on her breast, before being placed in her coffin. To the Empress's hair, she double that she had not found the heart to do so, knowing that the Empress's one little weakness was her pride in her magnificent hair; and Francis Joseph immediately gave expression to his approval, saying "You are quilte right."

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loss through investments without surficient security or funds lost in any other way.

Then establish in each State a branch of the central bank with a capital stock equal to \$10 per State capita and governed by the same laws as the central bank; also a requirement that each stockholder must be a resident of the State. And in a similar way establish county banks wherever the population is sufficient to justify their existence; also branch offices to the county banks wherever needed.

Locate the central bank at the national capital and each State and county bank as the people of the States and counties may choose, and then deposit with each bank—central, State and county—an equal amount of government funds per their paid-in capital stock.

Allow each of the banks to do a

ernment funds per their pald-in capital stock.

Allow each of the banks to do a general banking business and loan money at a uniform established rate to any American citizen or American enterprise that offers ample security, and allow a uniform rate of interest on deposits, establishing as near as possible a rate of interest on deposits equal to the earnings of the capital stock.

equal to the earnings of the capital stock.

Thus at one stroke provide absolutely safe investment for the depositor and stockholder and enable the enterprising to get money at any time and upon reasonable terms, regardless of the efforts of any man or set of men to control the money market, thus giving to the country the advantages of both private and postal banks without the disadvantage of either.

The inevitable result would be a wide distribution of bank stock, and as it is self-evident that where a man's treasure is there will his heart be also, this in and of itself would be a great national safeguard, as a people will not overthrow a system in which their treasure is safely invested.

Palmyra, October 14.

Ming torn in Charlette D. Adams, of Just to think, Mr. Berkley D. Adams, of Charlotte, walked away with \$450 in cool cash from the State Fair, and for what? Why for plowing, preparing and cultivating pud setting good seed and putting them on and getting good seed and putting them on a small piece of ground and raising better corn than any one else who contested for the prize. He not only has the \$450 but he has made more and better corn and may sell hundreds of dollars worth for seed, and the incident may sir up an interest in corn raising in Southside Virginia that will result in untold good to ear paople. And then, too, to be halled as the "Corn King" of Charlotte is no mean honor.—Chase City Progress. Palmyra, October 14.

Nothing the Matter With the Church. Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir,—There seems to be a rush of clergymen to answer the question. "What's the matter with the Church." Ever since Cardinal Gibbons, Dr. North. Rabbi Hirsch. Dr. Parkhurst, Dr. Aked and others attempted to answer this question, as propounded by a magazine, a host of dominies in all parts of the country are making haste to voice their theories in this regard.

This will accomplish no good. There is nothing the matter with the church. There may be failings and shortcomings in some individual edifices, and just there lies the trouble. Too many persons, aye, too many clergymen, look upon the church as an edifice—an actual structure.

Communities build churches and go no further. Cold, gray stone is by no means symbolic of the church. Some of these persons who are trying to tell us what the church should be would do well to get a copy of the lines from "The Servant in the House," Charles Rann Kennedy's beautiful play," and church:

"This is no dead nile of stones and Nothing the Matter With the Church. It's Up to Spotsylvania.

If after what is plainly expected of Spotsylvania county and her interest in the matter has been so widely and favorably advertised she should, vote down the bond issue, it will be a said day for the county and will mark a step backward, which she will be a long time in recovering from. She has been held out to the State as a progressive county, whose people are determined to take the lead in this roads movement. It will never do in the world to now advertise the county as lacking the nerve to take this lead. Let the bond issue receive as nearly a unanimous vote as possible.—Fredericksburg Star.